## SPEECH,

SPOKEN BY

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With His Majesties Gracious Acceptance.

Most Dread Sovereign,

E, Your Majesties Humblest Subjests of this House, have the greatest reason to rejoyce in this your Majesties presence, in as much as this being the most Antient Col-

ledge, and Mother of all the reft in your Dominions, hath been chosen out to begin the restitution of the Religion, which was first Planted and Watred by so many Eminent, Devout and Learned Persons, of whom Four are accounted Saints in our English Kalendar; And we hope that as Providence hath referv'd a Reformation to Your Majesty, after so long and Deplorable a Breach; fo You will be pleas'd to Protect and encourage this tender beginning amongst Us: For the Winds and the Storms threaten us, yet being founded upon a double Rock, the one of Perpetuity of the Church. The other of your Majesties Protection, We rest Fearless, and Refolve till it shall please out good Lord to settle it in that. Peace and Liberty which we confidently hope for in your Majesties Life and Government. Next, VVe with the rest of the Nation, acknowledge your Majesties great Goodness for that absolute Liberty granted to all your Subjects, restraining nothing but what is Eternally contrary to the Preservation of Peace and Justice.



And tho' you leave the Duty towards God, to every Conscience, yet you have hereby taken off the Vizard of Rebellion, and manifested to all the World, that who-soever henceforth takes up Arms against your Power, must not pretend either Reformation or Religion, or In-

justice of the Government, as an Indulgence.

This, wherein your Majesty and your Co-partners have the least Portion; it is, Great Prince, an Excessive Kindness to your People, that your Self accepts sparingly, what upon others you so Bountifully bestow; as if your Own Interest were the least of your Care: And were the Nation United, your Own Self could be content to be neglected. It is a long time since that the Wounds of this Nation have been still wid ned by Intressed Persons, applying only Carosives.

Your Majesty hath by powering in Oyl and Balm, began an Unction and Coalition of the Parts. An Union at least in the concerns of the Nation, tho' not (as we defire) an Unity in Religion. Yet so much of Religion too.

as to be at Peace with One Another.

And your Majesty is now, by your Majesties giving Warmth and Vigour to these desires, making the whole Nation Witnesses of the Sinerity of your Proceedings, as well as that of your Piety, Prudence, and most wonderful Example, in all Virtue, becoming either a Prince, or even a Private Person, VVe hope your Subjects will be made more Cautious, when They see so much of an Excellent and Divine Spirit, seconded with the Power and Piety of a Prince.

Nor will they pretend Conscience for Disobedience, when they perceive Him, who Demands, to have better

Conscience than Themselves.

VVhich Speech His Majesty was Graciously pleased, kindly to accept, &c.

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